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THE OPIUM QUESTION.

Ceylon Committee's Report.

To-day, says the "Times of Ceylon" of June 8, we received from the Secretariat the Sessional Paper containing the report of the Committee on the consumption of opium, and the despatches. The report was sent in on the 7th December, so that it has been "bottled up" for just six months. The members of the Committee were Sir Allan Perry, P.O.M.O., the Hon. Mr. S. C. Obeyesekere, the Hon. Mr. F. C. Leck, the Hon. Mr. Ferguson, and the late Mr. R. Morrison. On the death of Mr. Morrison, Sir Stanley Bois was appointed.

The report is divided into three parts: Historical; Practical Considerations; Recommendations.

PART II.—PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS.

Risks of Smuggling.—One of the first considerations in regard to the traffic in the drug is the possibility of its being smuggled through the Customs on a more or less extensive scale. This is exceedingly probable, as the duty is heavy. It is difficult for this Committee to form an opinion as to whether any considerable loss to the revenue has occurred from this cause. It is, for instance, most difficult to understand how, with an import of 12,449 lbs. and 11 licensed opium shops in 1870, twenty years later (in 1890) the importation was only 12,607 lbs., although the shops (31) had nearly trebled, unless the explanation is found in smuggling. If there is reason to suspect that smuggling took place when the duty was 11 or when increased to 12, much more is it likely to be attempted with the duty raised to 14. The suspicion of smuggling is further strengthened by the fact that larger sums have been offered this year for the monopoly of selling opium, notwithstanding the increased duty. We learn on inquiry that no special precautions are taken at the Ceylon Customs in reference to the possible smuggling of the drug; at Australian, Japanese and American ports the greatest care is taken to check and discover any opium smuggling, special officers being employed to examine all who are likely to have opium about their persons or in their luggage. We, therefore, strongly recommend that special precautions be taken to prevent smuggling in Ceylon.

OPIMUM SLOP REGULATIONS.—Elaborate regulations are provided under the Opium Ordinance to secure special supervision of all opium shops by the proper authority, involving the periodical verification of stocks, sales, and balances of the drug.

It is also questionable whether any active check has been exercised on the opium shopkeepers to prevent adulteration or the mixing of foreign substances with the drug as sold to customers.

THE USINGS OF OPIUM SHOPS.—We cannot find any evidence of a request ever having been made by any "Simlasee" or Tamil villagers to have an opium shop opened in their midst, or that their wishes were ever consulted before a license was issued. An Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council moved, early in the present year, that no fresh license should be issued without the previous sanction of the Legislature; but this was not conceded by Government.

The call for fresh licenses would seem to come from the opium retailers or licensees, whose natural object being increased profit must lead them to attract and capture as many new customers as possible from the men and women of the villages, and so tend to spread the opium habit among persons who never touched the drug before in their lives. Sir Charles Alcockson said in Burma: "Licensed shops not only supply an existing demand, but artificially create a taste for the drug."

REVENUE.—The manner in which the revenue from opium licenses has risen is suggestive of large profits, and these must mainly be due to an increasing number of customers. An official return shows that whereas in 1883 the Government received for licenses (in the villages) the sum of Rs. 110, by 1906 this has increased to Rs. 119, while Municipalities and Local Boards (for cities and towns) received Rs. 7,300 in 1893, and no less than Rs. 122,197 last year (1906). In addition, the General Revenue last year received in Opium duty Rs. 2,770, being Rs. per pound on 18,885 lb. imported.

CONSUMPTION OF OPIUM IN CEYLON.—During 1906.—Out of the total of 12,449 lb. of crude opium imported last year, only 4,115 lb. were used in the Government hospitals and by the large firms of Chemists and druggists in Colombo. We furthermore have returns indicating that no fewer than 12,847 persons in the Island are known to be addicted to the opium habit, of whom only 697 (a number, we should say, much under the mark) are returned for the town of Colombo. We are, therefore, of opinion that the present system of distribution through licensed opium shops is continued, there is the gravest risk of the opium habit becoming general amongst the native population of the Island.

CONSUMPTION OF OPIUM IN CEYLON.—The religion of the vast majority of the Sinhalese (Buddhists) condemns the use of the drug. (Continued on Page 3.)

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WASTING RESOURCES.

THAT America, which can still be re-

garded as a "new" nation, should be

perturbed at the possible depletion of

her vast natural resources, comes as a

surprise. Those resources have not

been exploited for much more than a

century yet President Roosevelt has

found it necessary to summon a

"White House Conference" to "con-

sider the question of the conser-

vation and use of the great natu-

mental sources of wealth of America.

At this Conference, were forty-four

Governors of States and several hun-

dred men representative of science

and industry. In his opening speech

the President said:—"The growth of

this nation by leaps and bounds makes

one of the most striking and import-

ant chapters in the history of the

world. Its growth has been due to

the rapid development and, alas! that

remains unoccupied save what can be

reclaimed by irrigation and drainage.

We began with an unapproached heri-

tage of forests; more than half of the

timber is gone. We began with coal-

fields more extensive than those of any

other nation and with iron ores re-

garded as inexhaustible, and many

experts now declare that the end of

both iron and coal is in sight. The

mere increase in our consumption of

coal during 1907 over 1906 exceeded

the total consumption in 1876, the

centennial year. The enormous stores

of mineral oil and gas are largely gone.

Our natural waterways are not gone,

but they have been so injured by

neglect and by the division of respon-

sibility and utter lack of system in

dealing with them that there is less

navigation on them now than there

was fifty years ago. Finally, we began

with soils of unexampled fertility and

we have so impoverished them by

injurious use and by failing to check

erosion that their crop-producing

power is diminishing. In a word, we

have thoughtlessly, and to a large de-

gree unnecessarily, diminished the re-

sources upon which not only our pros-

perity but the prosperity of our children

must always depend." There can be

no doubt that Mr. Roosevelt is well

advised in directing public attention to

this matter. In regard to mineral pro-

ducts, however, careful nation may

be there must come a time when these

resources are depleted. But the forests

of America stand in a different category.

If the various State Governments do

their duty the forests of America should

increase in value instead of decreasing.

It would be the simplest thing in the

world when a State Government was

granting a timber concession to insist

that planting should take place simu-

laneously with felling. If this were

done the state would conserve a valu-

able source of revenue and anxiety for

the future would be removed. Now

that America has set the example of

looking beyond the immediate present

it may be expected that our own Co-

lonies will give attention to this impor-

tant matter. There can be little ques-

tion but that the methods of to-day in

exploiting natural wealth are extremely

wasteful. For the next few centuries

this will not matter but in time the

world will be faced with the very seri-

ous problem of obtaining light and heat.

Of course it is possible that by that time

the inventive genius of mankind will

have discovered substitutes for wood

and coal. But nonetheless it is our

duty, as Mr. Roosevelt has realised, to

make provision, not only for our own

necessities, but for the possible require-

ments of posterity.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

From Shanghai, says a Sydney paper,

comes news of the death there (suddenly)

on March 27 of Mrs. J. S. Ross (nee Miss

Ida Hughes), who some years ago was

champion lady swimmer of New South

Wales. In most instances Mrs. Ross con-

soled good starts to her contemporaries—

so much faster was she comparatively.

Before marriage Mrs. Ross taught swimming

at Farmer's Domain, and Linke's, Lady

Robinson's Beach, Bath. The cause of

death was aneurism of the heart. Mrs.

Ross joined her husband (former manager

of the Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co.,

Ltd.) in Shanghai three years since.

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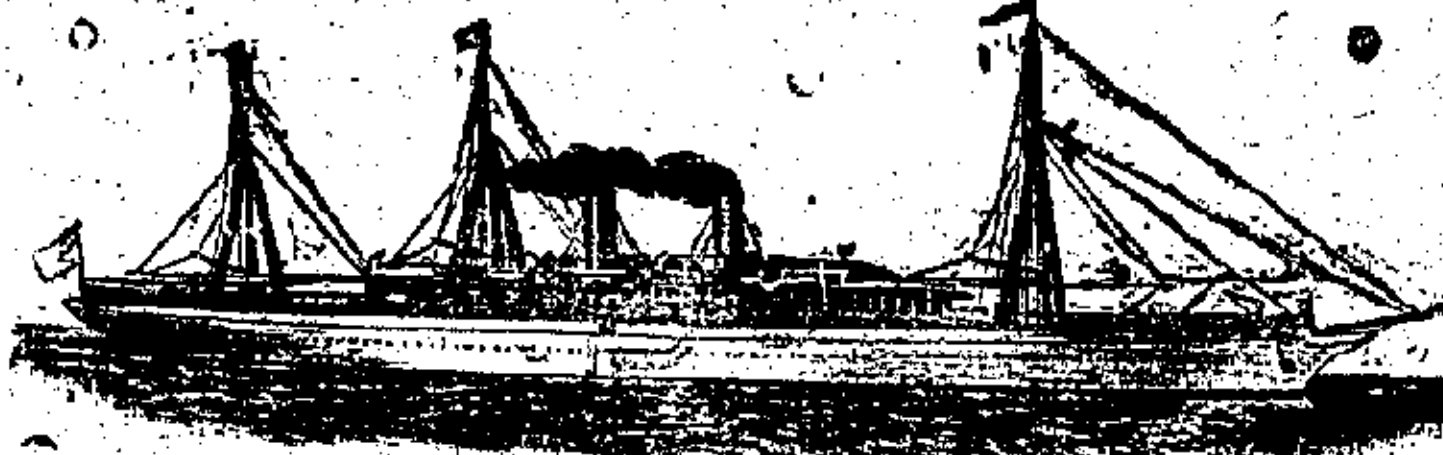
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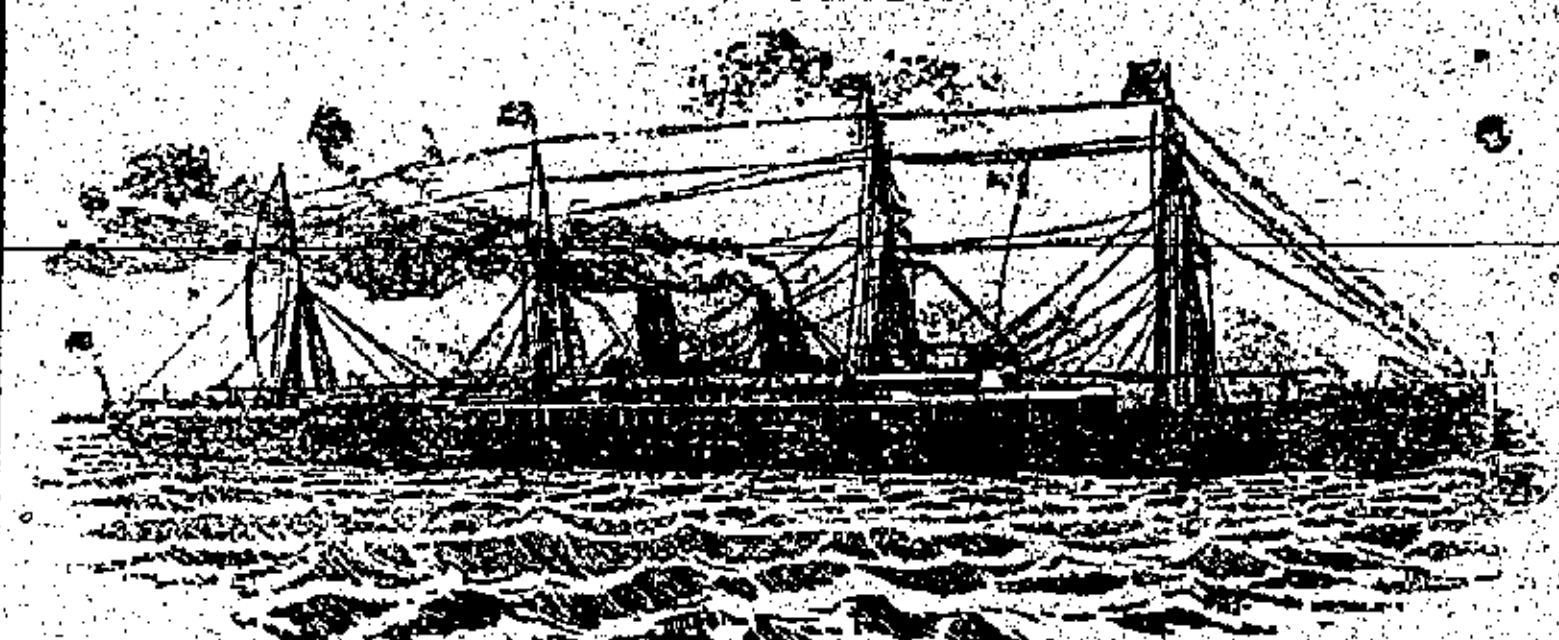
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NIPPON MARU.....11,000	FRIDAY, 24th July, at Noon.
ASIA.....9,500	SATURDAY, 1st Aug., at Noon.
MONGOLIA.....27,000	SATURDAY, 8th Aug., at Noon.
YENZO MARU.....21,000	TUESDAY, 18th Aug., at Noon.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HAIPHONG	CHIRI	July 2, at 9 a.m.
SHANGHAI	KUANG	July 4, at 4 p.m.
AMOI, CEBU & ILOILO	KADONG	July 4, at 4 p.m.
WUHAICHI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	KUANG	July 6, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	TAKING	July 7, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, with transhipment for TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, FREMANTLE & PERTH	TAIWAN	August 3, at 4 p.m.

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SINGAPORE, PENANG, KUMSANG	THURSDAY, July 2, at Noon.
AND CALCUTTA	THURSDAY, July 2, at Noon.
SOUTH BAY, OHUNANG	THURSDAY, July 2, at Noon.
MANILA, LOONSANG	FRIDAY, July 3, at 4 p.m.
YUENSANG	FRIDAY, July 3, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KUTSANG	WEDNESDAY, July 16, at Noon.

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